



Indiana Department of Education
SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Building Principals
All Superintendents

FROM: Dr. George Frampton

DATE: October 26, 2009

SUBJECT: Professional Development Grant

The appropriation for Professional Development Grant Funds for fiscal years 2010 and 2011 was significantly reduced by the Indiana General Assembly this year. As a result, the Department of Education has had to realign the distribution formula for this year's funds.

The DOE has distributed the first round of grants, totaling \$1,250 for each Board-approved school. At this time, the Department plans to distribute another round of grants in the spring of 2010 based on the DOE-PE (pupil enrollment) reports which schools will submit in November 2009.

But in these volatile economic times, much of the funding for programs and grants is dependent on the revenues collected within the state. At this time, schools should not make arrangements to utilize the spring grants until further notice from the Department of Education. The Department is committed to the grant program, structured within the confines of fund availability. Though no final decision has been made regarding the availability of funds for this particular initiative, the grants do hinge on economic factors that are beyond the direct control of the State and the Department.